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Dear Prefix First Name Last Name,

When Men of Action meets early on Tuesday mornings every week, we start our time together with two or three songs. The sound of 30+ male voices singing praise to our Lord is pretty awesome, regardless of how on or off key we each are! It is beautiful prayer and a way to start our morning of worship, prayer, and accountability.

One of the songs we sang recently really seemed to resonate with our current time. "These Alone Are Enough" by Dan Schutte. It was the week before we lost one of our long time brothers to cancer... John Harris was an inspiration and model to so many of us. The Holy Spirit was present in the inspiration for selecting this piece that day; how often the Spirit moves us, often when we don't even recognize it. Such a gift that is to each of us if we trust in Him! On that morning, in light of John's coming final days on this earth, we were all reminded by that song of what is really important.

So as we close down our summer activities, and enter of period of change of seasons with all that September and fall brings, and we sometimes feel overwhelmed and maybe even discouraged or lost, we pray that you can occasionally pause and remember what is "enough".

These Alone Are Enough - Dan Schutte

Take my heart, O Lord, take my hopes and dreams.

Take my mind with all its plans and schemes.

Give me nothing more than your love and grace.

These alone, O God, are enough for me.

Take my thoughts, O Lord, and my memory.

Take my tears, my joys, my liberty.

Give me nothing more than your love and grace.

These alone, O God, are enough for me.

I surrender, Lord, all I have and hold.

I return to you your gifts untold.

Give me nothing more than your love and grace.

These alone, O God, are enough for me.

When the darkness falls on my final days,

take the very breath that sang your praise.

Give me nothing more than your love and grace.

These alone, O God, are enough for me.

Prayerfully and Gratefully Yours,

Your brothers in Christ,

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Men of Action